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# TRUST DEEDS

TO SECURE

MORTGAGE BONDS AND DEL\_NTURES

IN

THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Suggestions to Solicitors, Notaries and Others,

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## TRUST DEEDS.

The following suggestions will, it is hoped, be found useful in the preparation of Trust Deeds to secure issues of Bonds or Debentures. They cannot be expected to suit every case, but will serve as a guide to the draftsman, who can alter them to meet the requirements of the particular Deed.

With respect to property situated in the Province of Quebec, it is important that those interested in Bonds thus secured should understand that, in the Province of Quebec, property can only be charged by way of hypothec, which differs from the form of mortgage, prevailing under the common law, in several important particulars.

"Hypothec" is defined by the Civil Code (2016) to be "a real right upon immoveables made tiable for the fulfilment of an obligation, in virtue of which the creditor may cause them to be sold in the hands of whomsoever they may be, and have a preference upon the proceeds of the sale in order of date as fixed by this code."

Thus, the legal title to the property remains in the mortgagor.

The mortgagee is not entitled to foreclose the mortgage and take possession, divesting the mortgagor, but must sue upon the principal obligation, obtain judgment, bring the property to judicial sale, and then rank upon the proceeds, which are distributed, according to privilege, by a judgment of distribution.

With respect to corporate mortgages, covenants may be inserted in the Deeds, by which the Company mortgaging may validly bind itself, in the event of default, to surrender the property forthwith, in payment of principal or interest, or other material covenant of the mortgage deed, may entitle the Trustee to take possession, apply for a receiver or liquidator, in which case the rights of the Trustee are equivalent to those enjoyed by the mortgagee elsewhere.

This distinction, it is important to observe. The words "mortgage" and "hypothee" are frequently used as convertible terms, and the latter as the English equivalent of the French word "Hypothec," but a clear and obvious distinction exists between them.

The following point should also be noted, i.e., Hypothecs can only be constituted in the Province of Quebec by means of a Notarial or authentic Deed. Deed must be passed before a Notary Public of the Province, under his seal, the original remaining of record with the Notary, who is authorized to issue authentic copies thereof. This formality is sacramental. (C. C. 2040).

It is believed that, unless specially absolved from the necessity of so doing, by the local Legislature, these Deeds must be executed in the ordinary notarial form.

Further, mortgages must specially describe the immoveable hypothecated by a designation of the conterminous lands, of the number or name under which it is known, or its name upon the plan and book of reference in the Registry Office, if such plan and book of reference exist. (C. C. 2042). The sum of money for which the hypothec is granted must be certain and determined though hypothecs may be granted for by any obligation

The foregoing observations, while unnecessary in the case of practitioners in the Province of Quebec, may be useful in cases where Trust Deeds are to be prepared or examined by solicitors and others not thoroughly familfar with the distinction between the "hypothec" and the

Subject to what has been said, the following hints are given to those who may be called upon to prepare such

### HINTS TO CONVEYANCER.

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Summary. Prepare a memorandum containing the following particulars:

1. Amount of issue.

2. Denomination of Bonds.

3. Rate of Interest and date of payment.

4. Term of Bonds.

5. Sinking Fund.

6. Security.

11.

Constitution. Produce the Act or Charter or Letters Patent, incorporating the Company.

Indicate the clauses, either in Special Charter or General Act, conferring borrowing powers and referring to and authorizing issue of Bonds or Debentures.

III.

Resolution. Produce Certified Copies of Resolutions of Shareholders and Directors, authorizing issues.

Establish (a) proper notice of meetings, (b) presence of required quorum (c) passage of Resolutions by required percentage of stockholders and Directors.

Produce Certificates under seal of Company, signed by Secretary, verifying foregoing.

If bond is, he is based on mileage of railroad, produce resolution establishing same.

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Form of Bond. The following form is suggested, as being brief, yet comprehensive:

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Secretary.	

President.

### COUPON.

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## TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that the within Bond is one of a series of Bonds, each for dollars, referred to in the Trust Deed in favour of this Company, as Trustee, dated THE TRUST CO.,

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Appointment Resolutions should be passed, nominating Trustee, and providing for remuneration.

### VI.

Property. The Company should produce a list and description of property to be mortgaged as security.

It should also furnish certificates of title, by its own solicitors. It is wise to have titles examined and reported on at the time of issuing Bonds.

There should also, where required, be produced sworn valuation of real estate.

#### VII.

Trust Deed. The Trust Deed should contain clauses in relation to the following subjects:

- (1) Issue, certification, sale of bonds.
- (2) Registration of Bonds.
- (3) Replacement of lost and mutilated Bonds.

# The Company, Mortgagor, should covenant:

(1) To carry on its basiness properly.

(2) To punctually pay principal and interest.

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(3) To pay taxes, assessments, etc.

(4) To register Mortgage.

(5) To insure and pay premiums. (6) To keep premises in repair. (7) To pay Trustee's expenses.

(8) To execute other necessary Deeds.

It is provided that the Company retains possession of its property until default shall have been made.

### VIII.

Trustee Clauses.

The rights, powers and duties of the Trustee should be set forth clearly. The clauses relating to the following subjects are usual.

A. Trustee's responsibility limited.

B. Trustee may employ agents, attorneys, etc.

C. May ask deposit from Bondholders.

### IX.

Default.

The Deed should state in what cases default Default in payment of interest, Insolvency or Winding Up of Company, Execution against its property being unsatisfied, and neglect to observe provisions of Deed, are usually specified.

#### X.

Further Clauses

The following clauses are suggested:

(1) Giving Trustee power to waive default, and partially release property not required.

(2) Giving Trustee right to enter on premises, on default, and to sell property; also providing for case of reorganization of Company,

(3) Binding Company to surrender possession on default.

(4) Providing that Bondholder shall only act through Trustee.

XI.

Distribution of Proceeds.

The distribution of the proceeds of the security must be provided for:

(1) In case of sale of property.

(2) In case of fire, of insurance moneys.

### XII.

Redemption and Sinking Fund

Clauses relating to redemption of Bonds and Sinking Fund may vary in their details.

### XIII.

Meetinks of Bondholders.

The procedure for convening and conducting meetings of Bondholders should also be concisely set forth, and the powers of such meetings defined.

## APPLICATION TO TRUST COMPANY.

Companies intending to make bond issues should furnish particulars to the Trust Company in the following form. Copies of this application form will be furnished on request.

### APPLICATION.

The Manager,

Trust Company Montreal.

Sir,-

The —— Trust Company is requested to act as Trustee in respect to an issue of the particulars of which are as follows:

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- 2. How and when incorporated,
- 3. Paid up capital,
- 4. Authorized capital,
- 5. Head office,
- 6. Amount of proposed issue,
- 7. Denomination,
- 8. Rate of interest and term of bond.
- 9. Amount of sinking fund,
- 10. When and where interest payable,
- 11. Security for issue (specify real estate, personal property, franchises, etc.)
  - (a) Where situated,
  - (b) Extent,
  - (c) Nature,
  - (d) Value,
- 12. Names of Company Directors,
- 13. Officers,
- 14. Solicitors,
- 15. Notary to be employed,

The ——— Company,

By ---- Secretary.

